HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 578

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Montgomery County Sheriff's Deputy David "Bubba" Johnson.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal concerns to ensure the public's safety and welfare, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty in service of public safety; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans continue this time-honored tradition of volunteerism through law enforcement, dedicating their time and efforts to aiding those in emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, David Johnson, or "Bubba," as he was known to his friends and family, was one such noteworthy individual who made immeasurable contributions to his community as a Montgomery County Sheriff's deputy; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Johnson was killed on January 12, 2013, when his police cruiser ran off the road and struck a tree; and

WHEREAS, Deputy David "Bubba" Johnson served the public safety for thirty-one years: four years with emergency medical services, eleven years as a city police officer at the Clarksville Police Department, and sixteen years as a deputy at the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, a devoted family man, he is survived by his wife, Jennifer, and daughter Shelby; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated father, Deputy Johnson coached several of Shelby's softball teams and also enjoyed spending time with his daughter on the golf course; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Johnson was an exemplary police officer who enjoyed working the night shift and was beloved by all his colleagues as a man who was dependable, easy-going, and had a great sense of humor; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should honor the memory of those law enforcement officers who dedicated themselves to protecting and serving their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Deputy David "Bubba" Johnson was wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State; he left behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in his life as a public servant and will be remembered as a kind-hearted and honorable man by his friends, family, and colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor the memory of valiant Montgomery County Sheriff's Deputy David "Bubba" Johnson, noting his meritorious service and ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.